

Docket No.: 57042-055

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
Don LI, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 8009
Application No.: 09/854,620	:	Group Art Unit: 2637
Filed: May 14, 2001	:	Allowed: September 8, 2004
	:	Examiner: K. Tran
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS OF A FAST TWO-LOOP AUTOMATIC GAIN CONTROL CIRCUIT	:	

**COMMENTS RESPONSIVE TO STATEMENT OF
REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE,
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 104(e)**

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Sir:

A Statement of Reasons for Allowance was received with the September 8, 2004 Notices of Allowance and Allowability. Entry of that Statement into the record should not be construed as any agreement with or acquiescence by Applicants in the stated reasoning.

The statement references all of the original claims in a single allegation that certain listed features are absent from the prior art of record. Although not exact, the statement seems closest to wording in the last 9 lines of claim 12. The Statement overlooks differences in the wording and thus differences in the scope of the other twenty-five allowed claims. It is respectfully submitted that each independent claim, and in fact each allowed claim, is separately patentable over the art of record on its own merits.

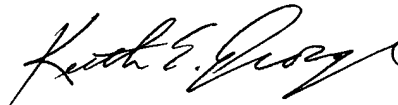
It should be noted that all of the allowed claims have been allowed in the first action regarding this application, without any rejection in this case. There has been no surrender of any kind, either by amendment or by comments attributable to Applicants.

For at least the reasons outlined above, it is respectfully submitted that each of the allowed claims should be entitled to the broadest reasonable interpretation and the broadest range of equivalents that are appropriate in light of the language of the respective claims and the supporting disclosure, without reference to the Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

To the extent necessary, if any, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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